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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 17, 2004, in which the Examiner rejected claims 1, 4, 6 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,412,435 to Nakajima. Applicants acknowledge that the Examiner has found claims 2, 3 and 5 allowable over the prior art of record.

Applicants traverse the above rejection and offer the following explanation.

The Nakajima patent discloses interlaced video signal motion compensation prediction system in which motion vectors are generated for selected groups of pixels in one image and corresponding groups of pixels in a second image. These motion vectors are applied to a selector 43 which selects one of the motion vectors in response to a comparison by a comparator 42.